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SUBJECT: PER - SAFETY AND HEALTH - AWARDS PROGRAM

<u>Purpose</u>: To request nominations for FY2006 Safety and Health Awards.

Expiration Date: September 30, 2007

Each year areas are to nominate someone from their area for a Safety and Health Award. Areas can nominate an individual or an office based on the criteria:

- Contributions made to support Safety and Health issues within their own area and within NRCS in Minnesota.
- Efforts made to provide employees with a safe work environment.
- Sharing of resources with all USDA partners and districts.
- Community involvement in safety and health related fields.
- Use of new and innovative ideas on disseminating safety and health information to fellow employees.
- Timely training of new employees.
- Recognition for involvement in accident prevention or life saving situation.

For out-state employees, submit nominations to your area safety chair. Area safety chairs are to receive concurrence from their Assistant State Conservationist (FO) and submit their reports to the state office by 10 November 2006. For state office employees, submit nominations to Tammy Egerstrom, State Safety & Health Officer.

Please keep in mind throughout the year those who contribute to Safety and Health within their own area and within NRCS for FY07 also. Maybe create a little folder so if something happens early within the year you could jot it down for memory when nominations come up at the end of the calendar year. Contact Tammy Egerstrom if you have any questions.

/s/ WILLIAM HUNT State Conservationist

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